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No. 50 FOR JIM

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Socceroo captain Jimmy Rooney will play his 50th full international match in Australia's clash with England at the Sydney Sports Ground on Saturday night.

And after celebrating Australian soccer's centenary, Rooney should go on to overtake Peter Wilson and become our most capped international.

Rooney will play three games for the green and golds against Northern Ireland in June and three against Chile in August, bringing his total to 56. After the Socceroos' world tour in November-December, Rooney should pass Wilson's total of 62 caps during the World Cup qualifying series next year.

Rooney turns 34 in December.

"I feel terrific just now. I love the game and I can't see myself not making it through the World Cup. I've set myself one big target — Spain, 1982." Rooney said this week during training for the game against England.

Rooney thrives on challenges. During his 12½ years in Australian soccer he always has marched towards new horizons. Winning the Argus Medal while with Lions as Victoria's best player on 1969 started the hunger that still gnaws away inside him.

AUSTRALIA

Greg Woodhouse
Martin Crook
Yakka Banovic
Steve Perry
Paul Degney
John Yzendoorn
Ivo Prskalo
Jim Muir
Tony Henderson
John Coyne
Arno Bertogna
Jim Tansey
George Christopoulos
Alan Davidson
Jim Campbell
Murray Barnes
Theo Solemidis
Jimmy Rooney
Peter Sharne
John Nyskehus
Gary Cole
Phil O'Connor
Mark Jankovic
Eddie Krnecovic
Ken Boden
Sebastian Giampaolo
Zdravko Lujic
Tommy Cumming (injured)

ENGLAND

Joe Corrigan
Phil Parkes
Trevor Cherry
Brian Greenhoff
Russell Osman
Terry Butcher
Frank Lampard
Glen Hoddle
Archie Hobson
Kevin Reeves
David Armstrong
Paul Mariner
Peter Ward
Brian Talbot
Alan Devonshire
Alan Sunderland



• **Jack Sewell: 35 goals**

The Sydney Cricket Ground gives England an advantage against Australia in their Centenary match on Saturday night (7.30 pm).

Australia's green and gold colours were stomped into the Cricket Ground mud the last time the nations collided there.

June 30, 1951, was the date.

The scoreboard at 4.45 pm that day showed:

AUSTRALIA 0 ENGLAND 17.

Jack Sewell of Sheffield Wednesday, scored six in that mammoth victory. Ike Clarke of Portsmouth got four, Jim Hagan (Sheffield United) and Frank Broome (Notts County) got three each and Gordon Hurst (Charlton Athletic) made do with only one.

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Half backs: D. Parker (West Ham), R. Flewin (Portsmouth), S. Owen (Luton), J. Shaw (Sheffield Utd), L. Kieran (Tranmere Rovers).

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SCG scene of that 17-0 loss

Forwards: H. Webster (Bolton), W. Smith (Birmingham), R. Langton (Bolton).

It was an FA representative team rather than the full England squad, but it was ranked at the time as a full international Test match. However, it no longer appears in the ASF's list of full internationals. Neither do any of the Tests on that tour.

The tourists played 20 games on their gruelling 10-week tour and won all 20 of them. Goalscorers were:

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Melbourne, 5-1 in Brisbane, 2-1 in Sydney, 8-2 in Maitland, 5-0 in Sydney and 2-0 in Melbourne.

In 1937, the English amateurs lost their Test series, going down 4-5 in Sydney and 3-4 in Newcastle, and winning 4-0 in Brisbane. The visitors also played an Australian Eleven in Melbourne, winning 4-3.

In 1971 the touring English FA side beat Australia 1-0 in Sydney and 1-0 in Melbourne.

The tourists included Peter Wall (Crystal Palace), Alan Henderson (West Ham), Peter Grummitt (Sheffield Wednesday), Peter Hindley (Notts Forest), Keith Eddy (Watford), Norman Piper (Portsmouth), Mick Mills (Ipswich), Chris Chilton (Hull) and Ken Wagstaff (Hull) who later became player-coach of Victorian State League club George Cross.

Australia's line-ups in the two 1971 matches were:

In Sydney: Reilly — Keith Wilson, Watkiss, Curran, Rooney, Richards, Baartz — Blue (Tolson), Alston, Abonyi (Norman).

In Melbourne: Reilly — Keith Wilson, Watkiss, Curran, Rooney, Richards, Baartz — Blue (Tolson), Alston, Abonyi.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

National coach of the future?

He reached for bigger things in moving to Sydney in 1970 to join Prague. Sydney was the soccer capital then. Not so now.

Before leaving, he had been given his first taste of representative football in the Victorian State team, coached by Ray Basic. That was the start of a lasting partnership.

Although Rooney's motto is to look forward, not back, he does agree to give us his "Best Eleven" of Australian players. It is, in 4-3-3 formation:

Jack Reilly, Doug Utjesenovic, John Yzendoorn, George Kinnell, Jim Tansey, Roberto Vieri, Gary Byrne, Jimmy Mackay, Attila Abonyi, Ray Baartz, Terry Butler.

All except Kinnell and Vieri played for Australia. Kinnell, former captain of Sunderland, starred with Juventus (Vic) Western Suburbs (NSW) and Marconi.

Rooney came into the national squad for the series against the visiting English FA team in 1971, to replace captain Jimmy Rooney who was injured.

"There had not been a soccer

player who made an impact in Australia the way Warren had. His absence left a big hole to be filled. I was aware of that," Rooney remembers.

Rooney believes Warren retired prematurely, as did Jimmy Mackay and Ray Baartz.

Comparing himself with his contemporaries, does Rooney concede to having any weaknesses as a player? A pause....

"Speed, yes I've got that... A powerful shot with either foot.... Tremendous header of a ball

Youth team in curtain-raiser

An Australian B selection taken from the overall squad will play against the national youth team in the curtain-raiser at the Sydney Cricket Ground at 5 pm.

The youth squad is: GOALKEEPERS: Glen Ahern (Q), Denis Ivanov (WA); DEFENDERS: Robert Wheatley, David Watt (NSW), Mike Lynch (WA), Craig McLatchey (Vic), Steve Balir (Vic); MIDFIELDERS: Peter Raskopoulos, Grant Lee, Paul Kay, Jim Petikas, Dave Skeen (NSW), Vlatko Belic, Oscar Crino (Vic); FORWARDS: Ian Hunter, Denis Colusso (NSW), Calvin Daunt (Q), David Mitchell (SA).

... Too big for the other players...

"No, I've got no weaknesses."

Rooney hopes that the glamor surrounding Saturday's Australia v. England match will bring home to all soccer federations the need to make younger more aware of the top level of soccer, to make them aim at reaching the Philips League, if not the national team itself.

"At the moment, kids are playing matches at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, whereas they should be coming along to PSL with their fathers," he says.

"You won't see young Aussies

Rules players having matches on Saturday. The games are played early, so the kids can go and see their VFL heroes play afterwards.

"That's one way to help the kids identify with the game's personalities and to help build a star system."

The Australia v. New York Cosmos match which drew 50,000 to the Showgrounds last year did a lot towards establishing Eddie Krnecovic, Ken Boden and Tommy Cummings as Socceroo stars. The England game, to be televised throughout Australia, will continue that process.

It's just another game for Rooney, though. Spain's his aim.

But what then?

APIA and St. George made bids for him at the start of this year, but Rooney's hardly likely to switch clubs again as a player.

His future is in coaching, he says. A PSL club? "Yes, you have to start somewhere." What does that imply — the national team perhaps?

"Sure, why not?"

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Socceroo captain Jim Rooney



KEN BODEN (Sydney City): When you try to pick Australia's finest football player, Ken Boden is always well up the list. He was named Australian Player of the Year in 1978, the year he was also joint top scorer in the PSL. He was with Newcastle KB United then, and it took a \$30,000 deal to move him to Sydney City for the start of the 1980 season. From 1965 to 1977 he scored an average 15 goals a season for various clubs in England, including Doncaster Rovers, Hull City, Scunthorpe, Bridlington and Macclesfield Town. He has gained 10 caps for Australia in the 1-3 loss to England in early 1980, and was on the China tour. Appearances: 8; Internationals: 1; goals: 3. Boden is pictured at left playing for Sydney City against South Melbourne. In the centre is South's full back Vince Bannon, a former Socceroo under 23 representative, and at right, Alan Davidson, who is in the national squad against England.

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EDDIE KRNEVIC (Marconi): No Australian player has made a more rapid rise to national fame than Krncevic, who was the subject of a recent three-page feature in the influential "National Times". Best man on the field in the 2-2 draw with Czechoslovakia early this year and scorer of five goals, a Socceroo record, against the Taipei City Bank team during the China tour late last year, Krncevic was on the Australian Schoolboys' tour of North America in 1978, shortly after

he had recovered from a broken leg. He switched from Essendon Crocs to Marconi for \$9000 for the start of the 1979 PSL season and was Marconi's second-highest scorer that year. But Krncevic incurred the wrath of Rudi Gutendorf after being sent off in a league match for the second time this year and was dropped from the national team's game against AC Milan. Has played 16 games for Australia (9 internationals) and scored 15 goals.

CENTURIONS



With the Australia v England centenary match only a couple of days away, "Soccer Action" profiles the men who are preparing for the battle.

Last week we had the goalkeepers and defenders, this week we give you the midfielders and forwards.

So, when you watch the struggle at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 31 May, you'll know exactly who's who.

The full England international team will be preparing for the finals of the European Nations Championship to be played in Rome next month.

Nevertheless, manager Ron Greenwood has assembled a powerful 18 and the game will be recognized by both countries as a full international.



• PAUL MARINER (Ipswich Town) aged 25: The club's most expensive player, costing 220,000 pounds when he was bought from lowly Plymouth Argyle in October 1976. The Bolton-born striker made 135 appearances with Ipswich before transferring to Ipswich where he notched up 98 appearances, 34 goals before the start of last season. Made his England debut against Luxembourg in 1977 and has five full caps to his credit. Won an F.A. Cup winners medal in the 1977-78 season. Mariner is pictured, second from left, scoring against Wolves.



BRYAN ROBSON (West Bromwich Albion) aged 23: One of the most sought-after players in England, Robson is tipped to be the next million pound transfer buy. Manchester United is interested in getting him. Hails from Chester-le-Street, a County Durham mining town in an area renowned for producing great players. Midfielder, 5 ft 9 ins and 11 st 1 lb. He is pictured talking to coach Ron Greenwood.

RON GREENWOOD (England coach): Born Burnley, Lancashire. His family moved to London when he was a boy and he eventually joined Chelsea as a wing-half. Returning from war-time service with the RAF, Bradford Park Avenue paid 3,000 pounds — then a record for the club — for his transfer in December, 1945. Returned to London when Brentford signed him in March, 1949, and it was with this club that he really made his reputation, a strong centre-half intelligent footballer, and an ideal captain.

In all he made over 300 Football League appearances. He was appointed assistant manager at Arsenal in November, 1958 and took over as manager of West Ham United in April, 1961 — only fourth manager in the club's history.

Under Greenwood's direction the club had its fans cheerfully singing the West Ham theme tune 'I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles' in Britain and Europe with success in the European Cup.

He was appointed temporary England team manager for the home friendly international match against Switzerland in September, 1977, and the World Cup qualifying matches against Luxembourg and Italy. He was offered the position of permanent manager to prepare the England team and the supporting teams for the next two years after the Italy match. Under Greenwood England has lost only three games in as many years.

MARK JANKOVIC (Marconi) has recently returned to his finest form with brilliant performances for Australia against AC Milan and for Marconi against league leader Heidelberg. In both games, he scored vital goals. Totalled 18 goals in the PSL with 18 goals last season, Jankovic has a form line during the Socceroos' tour of China, which carried over into the early part of the PSL seasons. But he's staking a strong claim now to a permanent place in the national team, knowing he has stiff competition from Krncevic and Cole. Was second highest scorer in St. George's 1975 championship win and transferred to Marconi in early 1978 for \$7500. Made his international debut against New Zealand under Brian Green in Auckland in 1976. Appearances: 15; Internationals: 3; goals: 2.



JIM CAMPBELL (Heidelberg Utd): Has been the foremost midfielder in the Phillip League in recent weeks. His coach and team-mate Jimmy Rooney goes so far as to describe Campbell as the best midfielder in Australia. Signed for Heidelberg in July 1977 after having played for Bedford Town in England. Although he plays midfield, he is among the top dozen PSL goal-scorers on average since the league started. Has tremendous work-rate, a shrewd football brain, lots of skill, a penchant for one-twos and a nose for goal. Called into the national team for the first time for the series against Czechoslovakia this year. Appearances: 3; Internationals: 2.



TOMMY CUMMING (Essendon Crocs): The only State League player in the national squad, Cumming won the Rothmans Medal last year as Victoria's No. 1 player. One of the smallest men in top soccer, but also one of the hardest fighters and one of the most dangerous near goal. Came from the Scottish Junior Leagues to join Sunshine City in the Victorian State League in early 1976 and transferred to Crocs in 1978. Caught the eye of Rudi Gutendorf while playing for Victoria. He has represented his State 13 times. Gutendorf used Cumming for the first time in the 1-1 draw with Partizan Belgrade in Newcastle early last year. He has played 12 games for the Socceroos (4 internationals) and scored two goals. He is pictured in Victoria's 2-3 loss to the New York Cosmos last year, opposed by Santiago Formoso (left) and Nelson Morais.

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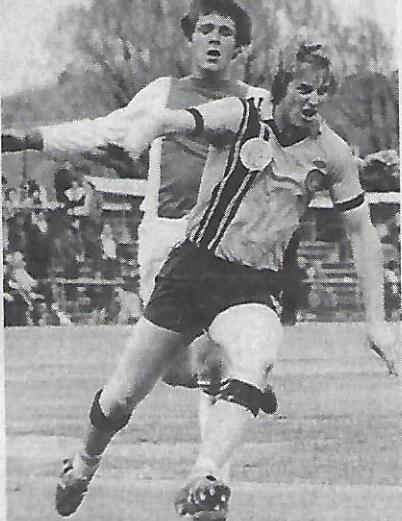
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PETER WARD (Brighton): A prolific scorer with Brighton, scoring 62 goals in 125 matches before his stay in Australia. Set a club scoring record in 1976-77 with 32 goals in Division 3. Regarded as one of England's bright hopes of the future. No England caps to his credit and is making his overseas tour with the national squad.



GARY COLE (Heidelberg United), Australia's deadliest striker of 1980, with 15 goals in the first 11 PSL matches. Cole has played 14 games for Australia, including four full internationals, and he has scored six goals, two of them penalties. His latest was in the 2-1 victory against AC Milan last week. Cole, the top PSL scorer on aggregate, recently became the first to score 50 goals in PSL and Phillips Cup matches. He joined Heidelberg United from State League club Ringwood Wilhelmina in 1978 and has scored five goals in his 13 games for Victoria. He is pictured barging past Nick Lowe of Mooroolbark.



DAVID ARMSTRONG (Middlesbrough aged 25; a specialist left-sided midfield player with more than 300 first team appearances with Middlesbrough. Helped the club into the first division under the astute management of Jack Charlton. Holder of four under 23 caps before fading from the representative arena until Ron Greenwood was appointed England team manager. Armstrong looked set to be a players' player, highly respected by his fellow professionals, but destined never to get proper recognition. This all changed for Armstrong when he was selected for an England side which played Sunderland as part of the club's centenary celebrations. He is pictured with arms raised, after scoring for Boro.



PHIL O'CONNOR (APIA-Leichhardt): Transferred from St. George for \$9000 for the start of this season, after having scored 29 league and Cup goals for the Saints in the PSL. Came to Australia in 1975 from Luton Town to join Wollongong City where he scored 12 goals before Saints bought him for \$9000 in early 1977. Made his Socceroo debut against Hong Kong in 1976. Appearances: 12; Internationals: 5; goals: 1.



ALAN DEVONSHIRE (West Ham United) aged 24: It was his break down the left side of the pitch that led to West Ham's winning goal against Arsenal in this year's F.A. Cup final win. Playing with his first league club, Alan has been the success story of the year. No previous international caps but won his first England B cap recently. At 22, Alan's performance with the Hammers got him the nod to join the English touring party 'Down Under'. England manager Ron Greenwood described Alan as one of the outstanding players to emerge during the season. Pictured at right, with David Pace of Arsenal in the Cup final.



GEORGE CHRISTOPPOULOS (South Melbourne): Started his representative football with the Australian schoolboys on their tour of North America under coach Bobby McLachlan in 1978 and progressed to the national youth team under Gutendorf. Played his first senior game for Australia as a substitute in a 1-2 loss to Greece in the 1978 John S. Murphy Cup. Signed with the Metropolitan League club Coburg in late 1977 and is now a key player there. Gutendorf is grooming him eventually to take over the sweeper's position from Ivo Prskalo. He is pictured at left in an aerial duel with Murray Barnes of Sydney City. Appearances: 7; Internationals: 6.

MURRAY BARNES (Sydney City): Represented Australia at under 23 level in Indonesia in 1974 and made his senior debut against China in Melbourne in August, 1975, along with Todd Clarke, Agoston Muniz, Gary Byrne, Duncan Cummings and Rene Colusso who now plays in Italy. Barnes' first full International was against the USSR under coach Brian Green in Adelaide in November, 1975. Although a midfielder, Barnes is one of the highest PSL scorers, on aggregate. He is tall, strong, fearless and works hard, Gutendorf recalled him recently for a defensive mid-field role, or possibly as a stopper. Appearances: 31; Internationals: 17; goals: 7. Barnes is pictured at right, in action against George Christopoulos.



JOHN NYSKOHUS (Adelaide City): John and his brother Bugsy are two of the all-time greats of South Australian soccer. John played for Australia at under 23 level in 1974 and made his senior international debut under Brian Green in the 1975 series against the USSR. Was Australia's best player against Greece in Melbourne in 1978 and was best on the ground in South Australia's memorable 1-1 draw with Wisla Krakow of Poland in 1979. On the Socceroos' China tour he put on an excellent midfield performance against the Canton Army team after replacing Jimmy Rooney. Appearances: 43; Internationals: 21; goals: 4.



KEVIN REEVES (Manchester City aged 22; Manchester City striker who switched from Norwich City during the just completed season for 2 million pounds (\$4 million). As a youngster growing up in Hampshire, Kevin dreamt of wearing the famous red and white stripes of Southampton. Reeves is on his second visit to Australia after coming here last year with Norwich City under manager John Bond. He began his football career with Bournemouth before hitting the 'big time' with the Canaries in the First division before switching to Manchester City.



ALAN SUNDERLAND (Arsenal) aged 25, selected in the England squad for the first time this year. At club level he forms a two-prong strike force with Frank Stapleton. A former midfield player with Wolves, Alan had one under 23 cap and 23 caps for England. He played in three F.A. Cup finals and scored a last-minute winner at Wembley last May against Manchester United. He joined the Gunners from Wolves in November, 1977 for \$400,000.

BRIAN TALBOT (Arsenal) aged 25; this Ipswich town player created football history by playing in three consecutive F.A. Cup finals. But unfortunately for Brian and his Gunner teammates, West Ham proved too good in the third final and took out a 1-0 winner. Brian has had full representation under 21 cap to his credit and has collected two winning F.A. Cup medals with Ipswich and Arsenal. Signed by Arsenal for a reputed \$900,000 two seasons ago.



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THEO SELEMIDIS (Heidelberg Utd). Played in Rudi Gutendorf's Australian youth team and in the full international matches of the Oceania Cup tournament, which Australia won in Noumea this year. Included in the squad for the England game after he had played some dazzling soccer as a substitute in the 2-1 win over AC Milan in Sydney. Selemidis joined Heidelberg from South Melbourne Hellas juniors in early 1977 and now partners Jim Campbell and Jimmy Rooney in Heidelberg's extraordinary midfield. Appearances: 3; internationals: 2.



ZDRAVKO LUJIC (Footscray JUSTI): His application for permanent residence was approved recently and he is now under strong consideration by Rudi Gutendorf, who may use him in the curtain-raiser between Australia B and the national youth team. Lujić played for Novi Sad in Yugoslavia before coming to Australia in early 1978. He played left back last year but he is one of the finest wingers in the country.



SEBASTIAN GIAMPAOLO (Canberra City), was an outstanding player with Inter-Monaro in the NSW State League but did not gain national prominence until he and Inter-Monaro team mate Walter Valori were transferred to PSL City Canberra City for a total of \$40,000 at the start of the 1980 season. Gutendorf included him in the national squad after Giampaolo had put on some brilliant displays for Canberra. Appearances: 8; internationals: 3.



JOHN COYNE (Brisbane City): Currently transfer-listed by his club at \$16,000 after arguments with the hierarchy there. Gutendorf included Coyne in the national squad after seeing him play well in a PSL match, and has described him as a possible Nobby Stiles of the future. Played in England and had a trial with the New York Cosmos before coming to Australia. Appearances: 8; internationals: 3.

Games and scorers

Appearances in full international matches:

62. Wilson.

58. Abonyi.

49. Rooney, Schaefer, Baartz.

43. Warren.

39. Alston.

34. Utjesenovic.

32. Richards.

31. Mackay, Vojtek.

40. Ollerton.

Total appearances:

115. Wilson.

95. Rooney.

88. Abonyi.

72. Schaefer.

62. Warren.

61. Utjesenovic, Alston.

60. Richards.

59. Baartz.

55. Ollerton, Bennett.

INTERNATIONAL GOALS:

25. Abonyi.

18. Baartz.

13. Ollerton.

8. Vojtek, McColl.

7. Alston, Buljevic.

6. Krnecic, Kosmina.

Warren.

TOTAL GOALS:

36. Abonyi.

21. Baartz.

20. Ollerton.

17. Alston.

15. Krnecic.

13. Vojtek.

12. Kosmina.

11. Buljevic.

10. Richards, Harding.

MUIR TO PLAY, KRNCVIC OUT?

National coach Rudi Gutendorf said this week he would use Marconi stopper Jim Muir against England on Saturday, and probably leave out striker Eddie Krnecic.

"Eddie is in poor form at the moment. He has personal problems," Gutendorf said.

"Muir did an excellent job in our 2-1 win against AC Milan, so he deserves to stay in the team."

Gutendorf said he had been assured by the ASF that Muir would be able to gain citizenship in time for the World Cup series.

From substitute to Socceroo — that's the story of Muir's remarkable return to prominence over the past few weeks. He was a trialist at Adelaide City but as soon as Marconi bought him, he found himself in the Heidelberg-Marconi composite team that took the field against Milan under the banner of an Australian Eleven.

Murray Barnes returns to the Socceroos in this match, after a year's absence, and Tony Henderson is back after having recovered from injury.

The most striking aspect

about Gutendorf's selection is height. Greg Woodhouse, Muir, Henderson, Barnes, Mark Jankovics, Gary Cole and Jim Tansey are all over 6 ft.

Henderson and Barnes will add to Cole's forcefulness in attack and also stiffen the defence when England goes forward.

Rooney, Jankovics and Boden will provide the more intricate close play and Tansey and Perry will, as usual, be reliable avenues of attack down the flanks.

We can only guess at the composition of the England team.

Paul Mariner and Peter Ward appear to be the logical twin strikers, although Alan Sunderland also has strong claims. Coach Ron Greenwood will want at least one man coming wide, so he may use Middlesbrough's David Armstrong as a deep-lying winger.



Rudi Gutendorf, citizen of the world. Above: in the jungles of Peru, with a monkey on his back. Below: On the Great Wall of China.

Naturally Greenwood will want to use the players with a possible future in the senior England team. Ward, Reeves, and Glen Hoddle are such players.

Ronald Greenwood will

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England team. Gutendorf gives

every player a direct opponent — and that includes his forwards, who have to chase opposing defenders when those defenders attack. He demands a high work rate and he puts a heavy emphasis on attack via the full backs. He also encourages attacking runs by his central defenders whenever possible. However, he is also realistic enough to concede that you can only play as offensively as the occasion allows — and against England his players will be busy, indeed with their defensive duties.

RUDI GUTENDORF (Australia): Has established a sound foundation for the future by promoting young players Woodhouse, Christopoulos, Bertoglio, Davidson, and Giampaolo to the national squad. Became national coach in 1978, the latest step in a colorful career during which he coached Schalke, Duisburg, Tennis Borussia, Hamburger SV, FC Lucerne, NSV, St. Louis Stars, Valladolid (Spain), Sporting Crystal (Peru), and the Cuban national team. Gutendorf gives every player a direct opponent — and that includes his forwards, who have to chase opposing defenders when those defenders attack. He demands a high work rate and he puts a heavy emphasis on attack via the full backs. He also encourages attacking runs by his central defenders whenever possible. However, he is also realistic enough to concede that you can only play as offensively as the occasion allows — and against England his players will be busy, indeed with their defensive duties.

LIKELY TEAMS

AUSTRALIA

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Greg WOODHOUSE			
Steve PERRY	Ivo PRSKALO	Jim MUIR	Jim TANSEY
Tony HENDERSON	Murray BARNES	Jimmy ROONEY	
Mark JANKOVICS	Gary COLE	Ken BODEN	

ENGLAND

ENGLAND			
Phil PARKES			
Trevor CHERRY	Brian GREENHOFF	Russell OSMAN	Frank LAMPARD
Glen HODDLE	Bryan ROBSON	Kevin REEVES	David ARMSTRONG
Paul MARINER	Peter WARD		

RUDI GUTENDORF SAYS....

I expect that the match between England and Australia will be a really competitive fight.

I can promise the public that the Australian team is not treating this as a friendly match. We are determined to win.

We are fortunate that at this stage of the Philips League competition our players are at the peak of their physical condition.

Now, as an additional pre-match preparation, the entire team is in a training camp for a full week before the game.

It is our intention to play offensive and aggressive soccer against the England side, as we did so successfully against Cosmos, Norwich City and in our third game against the European champions, Czechoslovakia.

We will not play defensive tactics!

This match will, without doubt, be the most significant game of their lives for each and every member of the Australian team.

We're out to win!

I myself have never been responsible for such an extraordinary important game, and I consider it an honour for me to play my team against the England side.

Obviously I am hopeful that my best players in the squad are fit and not injured in pre-match fixtures, and in particular I hope that one of my most significant players, Tony Henderson, will be completely fit for this game.

I am sure that the Australian team will not expect our part-time players to be as fit or play better soccer than a full professional English side.

However, I can promise that the spectators will see the one thing which has become the trademark of the Australian team, and that is the outstanding courage and fighting spirit they show when they play in the green and gold colours.

He'll fly there free

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Hamburg to farewell Keegan with a win

From KYLE PATTERSON

The likely line-ups for the Hamburg-Nottingham Forest clash:

HAMBURG: Rudi Kurgus - Manfred Keltz, Peter Nogly, Dieter Jakobs, Peter Hilden - Jimmy Hartwig, Kevin Keegan, Felix Magath, Holger Hieronymus - Horst Arribesch, Willi Reimann.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: Peter Shilton - Viv Anderson, Ian Burns, Larry Lloyd, Frank Gray - John McGovern, Martin O'Neill, Ian Bowyer, John Robertson - Gary Birles, Stan Bowles.

Other squad members: David Needham, John O'Hare, Gary Mills, Manager: Brian Clough.

The Germans will look to Keegan's powerful running to pressure the Forest defence and open up space in midfield from which to push forward quickly, not allowing Forest to delay and organise.

Clough is unlikely to use a man-to-man marking system as he prefers a "close them down as they come" defensive pattern.

Keegan will be assisted in midfield by Felix Magath who is adventurous and a regular scorer.

Hamburg's strength is in the air, which should suit Lloyd and Burns but Reimann will be harder to hold.

Hamburg should win, for Forest does not look half as dangerous without the Birtles-Francis partnership.

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APIA-Leichhardt ...	3	2	1	8	9	0	0	6	3	10	11:19 8
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St. George BSC ...	1	0	5	5	18	1	1	4	8	14	13:32 5

★ Match in hand

PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

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ROGERS (1) (Sth Melb)	ROONEY (4) (H'berg)	G. CAMPBELL (4) (Sth Melb)	
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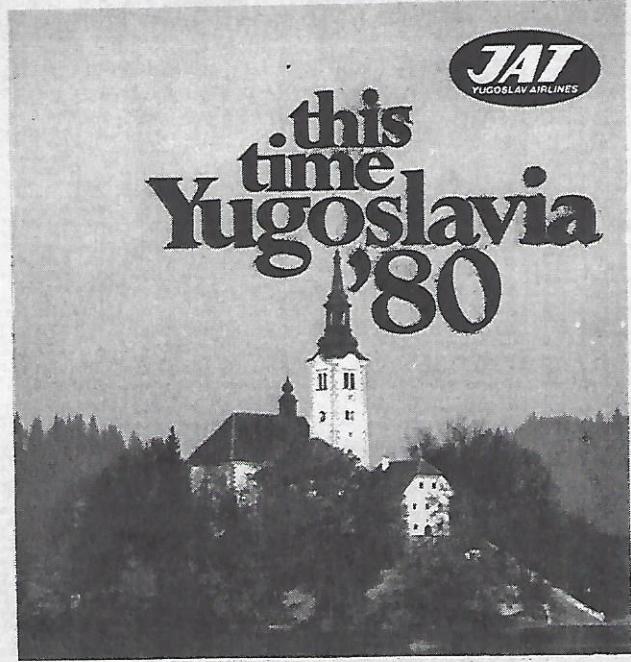
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 THIS WEEK'S VOTES

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 3 MARCONI 1 at Middle Park. Ratings by Laurie Schwabb:

HELLAS: Laumets 8 — Lutton 8 — V. Bannon 8, Xanthopoulos 8, Davidson 9 — Rogers 9, Christopoulos 8, Campbell 0 — Cummings 8, Evans 9, Buljevic 9.

MARCONI: Maher 8 — Prakalo 7 — Muir 5, Russell 7, Degney 6 — Byrne 7, Vieri 5 (Mariani 5 half time), Lindsay 5, Henderson 5 — Jankovic 7, Krncovic 5.

APIA LEICHARDT 2 CANBERRA CITY 1 at Lambert Park. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

APIA: Woodhouse 8 — Pullen 7, Wilson 7, Dempsey 7, McGinn 6 — Harding 8, McAusland 6, Coyne 7 — Butler 7, Pirie (Drews 6, 34th) O'Connor 8.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 6 — Moulis 6 (Williams 7, half time), Milovanovic 6 (sent off 67th), R. O'Shea 7, Cole 7 — Byrne 7, J. O'Shea 6, Farrell 7 — MacLaren 6, Valeri 6, Giampaolo 7.

BLACKTOWN 3 FOOTSCRAY 0 at Gable Stadium. Ratings by Roger Shersack:

BLACKTOWN CITY: Freeman 8, Harris 7, Pointer 8, Cutk 6, Turnbull 7, Solove 8, Hormazabal 8, O'Donnell 7, Hunter 8, Wilkinson 7, Izett 7.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 7, Hazebeet 6, Kondarlos 7, Ollerton 5, Petrov 5, Jovanovic 6, Plocoane 7 (Simek 55' - 5), Illoks 7, O'Reilly 6, Vasile 6, Lulic 7.

HEIDELBERG 0 NEWCASTLE 0 at Olympic Park. Ratings by Craig McKenzie:

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 8 — McMullen 8, Yzendoorn 8, Bannon 8, Tansey 9 — Bozkas 8, Campbell 8, Rooney 9, Selamidis 7 — Cole 8, Paton 9.

NEWCASTLE: Dando 6 — Reaney 7, Drinkwater 6,

Bertogna 6, Curran 4 — Heys 5, McClelland 5, Mason 6, Tredinnick 6 — Jones 5, Deakin 5 (sub Cowburn 74th).

SYDNEY CITY 2 ADELAIDE CITY 1 at Marke Field. Ratings by Sid Balmain:

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke (sub Pezzano 10 min 7), Mulen 7 (Souness 75th), Thomson 9, O'Connor 8, Bruce 7, Stevenson 8, Watson 8, Barnes 7, Boden 7, Souness 75th, Spanos 7, Trenter 7.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 8, Dodds 7, Jones 9, Russell 7, B. Nyakohus 7, Perin 7, Fashanu 8, John Nyakohus 8, Marocchi 6 (sub Mitchell 85th min), Molta 6, Barnes 7.

WEST ADELAIDE 1 ST GEORGE 0 at Hindmarsh Stadium. Ratings by Steve Fairfax:

WEST: Crook 7, McKie 8, Maricic 7, Topolanski 8, Bozanic 7, Norrie 7, Carruthers 8, McGregor 8, Menecas 7, Kosmina 7, Honeyman 7.

ST GEORGE: Fraser 8, Hadley 7, McIntosh 7, Utjenesovic 8, Terry 7, Cotton 7, Gnevi 8, Stone 7, Campbell 7, Dux 7 (Beggs), Griffiths 7.

Leading ratings:

8.2 Hormilton (BL).
8.2 Cole (H'berg), V. Bannon (SM).

8.1 Bennett (BL), Rooney (H'berg), Barnes (SC).

8.0 Hogg (BL), Milovanovic (Can), J. Campbell (H'berg), Reaney (Newc), Laumets (SM).

7.8 Perry (BC), Tansey (H'berg), Maher (Marc), Watson (SC).

7.8 Pointer (Black), Ontong (BL), McMullan (H'berg), Xanthopoulos, Lutton (SM), S. O'Connor, Boden (SC).

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Leading scorers:

17 Cole (H'berg)

8 Krncevic (Merc), Barnes (SC).

7 Boden (SC).

6 J. Nyskohus (AC), Giampaolo (Can), Jenkovics (Merc), Duarte (St G.).

5. Valeri (Can), Vasic (Footy), Peton (H'berg).

4 O'Connor (APIA), Hunter (Black), Millman (BL), J. Campbell (H'berg), Sherne (Merc), Kosmina (WA).

3 Samuels, Harding (APIA), Wilkinson (Black), Piccione, Lujic, Ollerton (Footy), G. Campbell, Butjevic, Evans (SMI), Smith, Stevenson, Trenter (SC).

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J.U.S.T. MATCH SWITCH

Pressure by the Victorian Football League has resulted in the Footscray JUST versus APIA game being shifted from Western Oval to Olympic Park on Sunday.

Footscray Council on Monday night recommended that JUST Play at Olympic Park although it had reaffirmed the previous week its support for JUST sharing Western Oval with Footscray Football Club.

Council backed down because the VFL threatened to shift Footscray Club's next home game away from Western Oval if JUST played there.

Talks will continue.

Meanwhile Cr Vince Verduci said: "It's deplorable that council can be held to ransom like this."

"The VFL does not run this council or this country."

Cr. Matt Harris referred to the VFL as "dictators".

IN ADELAIDE
ADELAIDE CITY v Blacktown City at Olympic Sports Field, Sunday, 2.30 pm. No previous results.

IN MELBOURNE
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. v Leichhardt at Olympic Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 - APIA 3-2, J.U.S.T. 5-2.

IN CANBERRA
CANBERRA v Brisbane City at Bruce Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm.



The sign on the Western Oval grandstand tells the story of local opinion — "Soccer and football yes, VFL out."

OUR FEARLESS COLUMNIST TOM ANDERSON IS ABSENT THIS WEEK, BUT HE HAS INVITED HIS EQUALLY FEARLESS COLLEAGUE SID BALMAIN TO STAND IN FOR HIM

VFL belongs on Sesame Street They're paranoid over soccer

When it comes to bigotry, discrimination and just plain stupidity, the directors of the Victorian Football League are way out on their own!

In fact if there were gold medals for ratbagery, the VFL directors would win the lot.

I have never known such stupidity and childish actions as the one by the VFL over Western Oval.

It reminds me of some kids playing with a ball. Then along comes some other kids who posed a threat and the first lot of kids grabbed their ball and ran home to hide behind their mother's apron.

Somebody should give Dr Alan Aylett and his bunch of spoilt children who guise under the names of directors of the VFL, a good kick up the rump.

For without doubt their actions over Western Oval makes some of the happenings on "Play School" or "Sesame Street" look like adult movies.

In the name of heaven, what's wrong with Footscray Soccer Club and Footscray VFL Club sharing the same oval?

Surely for both of them to use Western Oval is progress and will eventually lead to a beautiful major sports complex being built in the area.

I mean to say, the VFL club is agreeable to sharing with their soccer brothers and the Footscray City Council deserve a great deal of praise for its stance against the might (sic) moguls of the VFL.

The council sees the great possibilities in such a move and in this move can envisage big plans for the future.

I also notice the Victoria's Minister for Sport, Brian Dixon, was called into the hassle without much success.

Of course one has to remember that Dixon was a former VFL footballer himself.

I also hope that all the soccer-loving voters in his constituency remember what actions he took in this quarrel when election times comes round!

With a Minister of Sport such as Dixon, I'm glad I live in New South Wales and not Victoria.

But to get back to the VFL hierarchy and its phobia over soccer.

Here are some unsure and obviously paranoid persons who surely must wake up at night having nightmares of soccer infiltrating and even taking over from their code.

Not so long ago, they were laughed out of Sydney after a statement by VFL general manager Jack Hamilton which appealed to Rugby League and Australian Rules to combine to drive the demon soccer into the sea!

What a joke. If only they knew that Rugby League and soccer are on good terms in Sydney and live together in peace and prosperity.

If anybody is to be driven out of Sydney, it's the VFL ratsbags back to Melbourne.

I think that the VFL directors, Victoria's Minister of Sport, Brian Dixon, and any other persons for that matter, should realise that soccer is not something that can be brushed under the carpet and forgotten about.

It's the only true international game in the world and it's here in Australia to stay.

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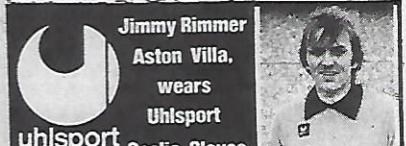
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Heidelberg's maestro Paddy Bannon (left) foils another attack as Newcastle's strikers David Deakin and David Jones look on helplessly. Picture: STEVE CHATZIS



West Adelaide's Manecas prepares to round St George keeper Mike Fraser as (from left) Utjersevic, Hadley and Carruthers watch intently. Picture: FRANK HOBBS



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Strikers in turnabout

WEST ADELAIDE 1
ST GEORGE 0Scorer — Kosmina 41 mins.
Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 3,100.
Weather: Fine.

Cautions: McIntosh, Cotton (St George), Manecas, Topaz (West).

Referee: Graham Neal.
If there was one match this season in which West Adelaide could have demonstrated that it is capable of killing off an opponent, this was it.

But it didn't turn out that way. The faltering, uncertain West Adelaide team weeks was again evident.

It certainly deserved the two points against a spirited St George team which played like a side facing relegation.

The Saints went in hard for their tackles and used muscle wherever possible.

West's coach Gery Chaldi changed around his team again using Graham Norris in midfield along with Ian McGregor and Eric Carruthers.

Ironically, all three earned out the reputation as strikers. McGregor was the most effective and Carruthers was not far behind him. Indeed, both men were probably the best on the ground.

Carruthers, who looked on his way out only a few weeks ago, has now strung together three very capable performances which suggest that the loss of Peter Boyle won't be felt in the long run.

West's attack of Kosmina, Honeyman and Manecas had its moments but it still doesn't have that killer look.

Opponents still hasn't recaptured the old magic, although he did have some magical touches.

His striking colleague, John Kosmina, is a far different player to the one who terrorised PSL and international defences in 1977.

If confidence is his problem, then his goal against St George would have done him a lot of good. It was exceptional.

Shraig Topaz floated the ball to the opposite side of the field for Kosmina, on the edge of the box, to thunder a goal past the onrushing keeper.

The ball, just four minutes before half time, should have signalled a gold rush against a side which had scored 0-1, 0-3 and 0-3 at home this season. But the ball didn't keep the score intact.

While Pointe and Cuk have created a new found stability at the back, with George Harris and Warren Turnill, it was Selvage and O'Donnell, the combination that most thought unlikely to cause upsets, that injected mobility into the ranks of Blacktown.

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Footscray came looking for both points and opened the game with the wind at its back. Despite its great territorial advantage, the visitors managed to create only a single goal, scoring penalty when in the 32nd minute. Dragos Vasici latched onto a long through ball by Peter Olleron to race into the box and face Peter Freeman. His shot was weak and straight at the keeper.

But what of St George? Coach Stan Blundell could not complain about his team's commitment. It battled hard all day and with an ounce of luck could have forced a draw.

Midfielder Rudi Gnani missed a gilt-edged opportunity in the seventy-third minute when he miskicked poorly after a cross from the left which exposed West's defence.

Almost immediately Blacktown should have scored, Wilkinson intercepted a pass to round Boland before pushing the ball across the goalmouth to an unmarked Ian Hunter. This speedy youngster hesitated a fraction of a second to allow two Footscray players to block his shot and just diverted the ball around the post for a corner.

Three minutes later Chris Petrop decided to pass back to Boland. It was short and Ian Hunter raced in to snatch the ball before the keeper, then race past him before slamming the ball into an empty net.

With 19 minutes gone, Jimmy Izzat took the ball in his own half and raced at least 50 metres unattested before pushing the ball forward for Hunter to score his second goal.

Footscray was beaten and its frustration shared with the bookings of Olleron, who had a terrible second half and Igor Hazabent. To add insult to injury, Olleron and O'Reilly decided to tackle each other in front of Boland. Olleron struck the ball and it rebounded off O'Reilly and finished behind the stunned keeper for a third goal!

Close to 4000 spectators were on hand to see some great soccer dished out by the home side in the second half. It moved the ball around in a fast fashion with Selvage and Horozabek certainly the key figures during that period.

However, he hoped to have midfield dynamo William Hartwig back for the European Cup final against England's Nottingham Forest.

Bayern's title

BONN & HAMBURG coach Bruno Zebec has conceded defeat in the West German football league championship race to Bayern Munich after losing 2-1 away to Bayer Leverkusen.

The goal followed a long throw in from the right wing and a Leichhardt winged lance allowed Giampaolo time to gently nudge the ball past the scrambling Greg Woodward.

These losses of concentration have often made Leichhardt its own worst enemy this year, but this time to its credit it didn't let it happen again.

Leichhardt's chances abruptly died in the 67th minute when it was reduced to 10 men with the sending off of Milovanovic.

The decision was strongly contested by Canberra but the 2-0 scoreline at the break was a just reflection of the two teams' performances in the first half.

Canberra must have received a good talking to at half time from Vic Fernandes for it came out a much more determined outfit in the second session.

This immediately paid dividends when in the 57th minute Sebastian Giampaolo scored City's only goal.

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Leichhardt was quick to take advantage and reasserted its first half dominance.

It was unlucky on a number of occasions, not to go further ahead. Phil O'Connor was particularly effective and literally dazed City's defence on two occasions before unleashing powerful shots which only just went wide.

The most disappointing player on the field, although not the worst, was Sebastian Giampaolo.

He did not appear to be able to stretch out and run and tells me he is not carrying an injury. Someone should tell him that he will do himself and his side no good playing under these circumstances and that the longer he leaves it,



Town takes the treble

BLACKTOWN CITY 3
FOOTSCRAY 0Referee: Henri Witschge 8
Yellow Cards: Ollerton, Hazabek

Ground: Gabba Stadium

Crowd: 3568

Blacktown Demons demonstrated its new found strength by winning its third game in a row, after a scintillating second half performance that had the visitors on the brink of catastrophe.

Had Wilkinson scored a couple of goals after being presented with golden opportunities, and had Hunter taken his chance after some good work by Wilkinson on the right flank it would have been a real wipe out.

As it turned out, Blacktown was convincingly enough to suggest that the team has turned a new leaf and will be looking to a more solid position on the league ladder.

In the first half Blacktown defended stoutly against a very skilful and creative Footscray, then unleashed all the power of mobility and shooting of its own in the second half to demoralise the Blues.

It was very difficult to realise that the home side could play so well after a number of mediocre performances during the first ten or so rounds. Then, the club decided to part company with David Hardin and bring in Brian O'Donnell, Stuart Selvage the experienced Marconi midfielder came on in place of Carlos Ortega, while Cliff Pointer replaced Bruce Stowell in the sweepers role. Another change in defence saw Peter Cub in place of Don Campbell.

In fact, Mick Jones had used not less than 24 players in the past 12 matches but in the last two games he managed to keep the side intact.

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They paid dearly. When keeper Peter Marshall knocked out a John Spanos shot to the edge of the penalty area, Joe Watson ws there unmarked, to crash the ball home through a ruck of players.

Adele failed in the last five minutes of the game, when they allowed Watson in for the winner.

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KRNCEVIC FOR HELLAS?

Brady blasts bungling



Liam Brady



Terry Neill

CIRKOVIC QUILTS

South Melbourne Hellas coaching director Cedo Cirkovic resigned last week.

His resignation followed talk with Hellas president Sam Papasavas.

Papasavas said there had been dissatisfaction in the club over the form of the Second Division team and over Cirkovic's failure to recruit young players with PSL potential from other clubs.

"But there was no way we wanted Cirkovic to resign," Papasavas said.

Cirkovic, former coach of Footscray J.U.S.T., was approached by the Hellas attitude.

"I couldn't believe that they expected me to produce or recruit PSL material in the three months since the season started," he said.

"I'm not a magician."

"I was starting from point A, not point Y or Z."

"I was keeping my eye on numerous young players from various clubs. One fellow from

Liam Brady has blasted out an astonishing attack on his boss, Arsenal manager Terry Neill.

In a string of revelations that will rock British soccer, Brady accuses Neill of bungling team matters and disgusting the team with his behaviour.

Brady's main attack on Neill centres around the manager's early days at the club.

Brady claims that Neill struggled badly, made wrong decisions and twice came close to facing a player revolt.

Brady says: "At one stage players were forming a queue outside his office to present transfer requests.

Neil

"I was one of those players I'd had enough."

"Far from improving the atmosphere at Highbury it seemed Neill made it worse."

"In some ways it was not his fault. But we felt he failed to grasp the importance of being straight with his staff."

Brady adds: "His behaviour disgusted and embittered the vast majority of us."

Of another attack, in which Neill described his players as "morons" Brady says:

"I think Terry panicked. He was not able to instil in us the confidence that he was armed with the know-how to cope."

In his book, Brady blames Neill for the rows that led to Alan Ball leaving Highbury, and criticises the way he attacked players in public.

Referring to Neill's famous outburst "We could not have beaten 11 dustbins after that

display". Brady says: "The players felt let down, angry and even less trusting than before."

And he says that in the end, Arsenal players "simply lost respect for the man".

Of the 1977 Australian tour when Alan Hudson and Malcolm Macdonald were sent home, Brady says: "Even then he bungled it."

"He could have sent home seven or eight, including me."

Last night Neill said: "I believe in freedom of speech."

The book, So Far So Good, is published by Stanley Paul at \$5.95.

• BAYERN MUNICH will start negotiations with Arsenal this week for Brady.

Brady is likely to have a pal with him in Germany . . . fellow Republic of Ireland international Steve Heighway.

Bayern boss Uli Hoeneß is interested and should contact Liverpool this week.

From "DAILY STAR"



• Eddie Krnecvic (right) and Mark Jankovics — partnership soon to be broken?

Eddie Krnecvic wants to come back to Melbourne.

His father, Mario Krnecvic, asked South Melbourne Hellas on Sunday night to buy Krnecvic from Marconi.

Krnecvic broke up with his American wife recently and has been unsettled in Sydney.

His family wants him back home.

Krnecvic's form has slumped in recent weeks, yet the Socceroo striker was brilliant on the tour of China and against Czechoslovakia early this year.

He almost joined Hellas in late 1978 and actually signed with Hellas before deciding to accept an offer from Marconi instead.

So Marconi bought him for \$9000 from Essendon Croatia, where he had been top scorer although he missed half the 1978 season due to a broken leg.

He scored 13 league goals last year and has knocked in eight so far this season.

Krnecvic was named by the Press as Best Under 21 Player of 1979 and set a Socceroo goalscoring record by notching five in Australia's 7-1 victory over the Taipei City Bank in Taipei last November.

Marconi team mate Tony Henderson calls Krnecvic the best centre forward in Australia.

Where's Ian Hunter's award, asks Coke

Coca-Cola executive Peter Bent this week called on the promoters of the AC Milan tour to present Blacktown's Ian Hunter with his prize for being voted best player in the recent national youth championships in Canberra.

The award — a free trip to Italy to train with Milan — was to have been presented to Hunter at the Victoria v. Milan game in Melbourne last Wednesday.

It wasn't.

The award — called the Gianni Rivera Award — was announced during the youth championships.

But Coca-Cola had not been told about it, and Mr. Bent expressed anger that another commercial con-

cern should be allowed to jump on Coke's bandwagon.

The ASF, afraid of upsetting one of its biggest sponsors, announced there was no best player award for the championships.

But national coach Rudi Gutendorf went ahead and named Hunter as the best player, adding that if a trip to Milan was being offered as a prize, Hunter was the man who should get it.

"I did not know during the championships that the Rivera award

was to be a trip to Italy," Mr. Bent said.

"It's a fantastic opportunity for Ian Hunter, and we're not against him receiving the prize."

"As far as we're concerned, the promoters of the Milan tour have committed themselves. If they don't come up with the tickets it won't be because Coke has blackballed the award."

"I hope they come forward and honour their commitment, otherwise it will have been nothing more than a publicity stunt."

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YOUTH REPORT

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South Australia's David Mitchell in full flight.



LEIF JENSEN

It has now been confirmed that the U/15 national championships will be played in Melbourne at Wembley Park, Box Hill.

This will be a golden opportunity for all you local soccer people to see for yourselves just what these Championships are all about, and may I suggest that anyone who is really interested in the future of Australian Soccer comes along to watch these games.

I will give you the dates and times at a later time.

I can assure you that the soccer at these Championships is very exciting, and it is of course an opportunity to see many future soccer stars in action.

As a "forerunner" to these Championships, and to give you a small sample of what our youngsters can do, I was extremely pleased to see that the curtain-raiser to the AC Milan v Victoria game was given to the U/15 Northern and Peninsula Region boys, and a fine game was produced by these talented players, many of whom were selected to trial for this year's State team.

It was a great experience for these juniors to play at Olympic-Park as an "opener" to such an important senior game as Milan v Vic. It was a chance which is not often offered to such young players.

I would like to congratulate the J.L.M.C. for having the foresight to select these two groups to play, because they represent a cross section of Club teams in these areas, and indeed a cross section of all Club teams in Victoria.

One really feels that this is what junior soccer is all about; to be able to select a couple of players from each club in an area, and instead of these boys playing against each other, as they normally do during the whole season, they will now play together as a team... one can truly call this Sport.

Space restrictions last week prevented us from publishing the full Australian youth squad for the 1981 Coca-Cola World Youth Championships to be played in Australia next year.

The squad, picked by national coach Rudi Gutendorf after the national youth titles in Canberra last week, is:

Alan Reis (ACT); Robert Traficante, Vlatko Belic, Socrates Nicolaides, Steve Blair, Sean Parton, Oscar Crino, John Little (Victoria); Miro Djackic, P. Forster (Tasmania), Glen Abern, Craig McLatchey, Clinton Daunt, Clark Anderson (Queensland); Luciano Signore, Ian McKEE, David Mitchell, Tony Radford (South Australia); Denis Ivanac, Mike Lynch, Ian Sinclair, Paul Tonello, Jim Ferrara (Western Australia); Paul Carter, Dennis Colusso, Ian Hunter, Paul Bay, Mark Koenig, Grant Lee, Jim Patikos, Dave Skeen, Tom Venery, David Watt, Robert Wheately, Brett Woods, Peter Raskopoulos (NSW); Andy Stankovic, Grant Storey, Howard Fredrickson, Brett Gemmell (Northern NSW).

Hat-trick heroes

The "Soccer Action" Hat Trick Diploma is available to any junior player who scores three or more goals in any league Cup or official school match. Friendly matches do not count.

Coaches are asked to supply the following information:

1. Name of the boy who scored the hat-trick (or more).
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4. Date of game.

Send the information to "Soccer Action" 250 Spencer Street, Melbourne, Vic., 3000, and we will forward the certificate free of charge as an incentive to keep on scoring those goals!

The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Andrew Schul, 9, four goals (Knox); Zeljko Gagula, 11 (Ess. Croatia); Robert Jacobsson, 8, four goals (Geelong); David McLean, 12, four goals (Merton); Robert Woodland, 7, four goals (East Bentleigh); Chris Arzanas, 11 (South Melbourne Helas); Robert Battaglia, 13, four goals (Glenelg); Mark Kelly (Montgomery); Craig Lyster, 12 (Peninsula); Craig Santvoort, 8, four goals (Baxter); Ronald Terpstra, 10 (Moorabbin); Laini Markova, 11 (Bianchi City); Billi McDonald, 10, six goals (Mordialloc Park); Paul DeBono, 11, five goals (Sunshine Heights); John Klubane, 12 (Rossannah); Kevin Fisher, 13, David Hug, 9, five goals, Andy Galenay, 9,

Adam Ashen, 8 (Hampton Park); Sava James Rumbal, 10 (Waverley); Robert Sangilante, 14, four goals (Mt. Warrigal); Garry Louch, 9 (Parfield Gardens); Jason Kristyam, 9, four goals; Adam Gillard, 8, six goals (Birringup); Peter Voukidis, 9 (Numurawang); Justin Burt, 9 (Waverley); Andrew Halton, 10, four goals (West Wodonga); John Doherty, 11, four goals (Port Jones, 8 (Parramatta Gully); Paul Bracher, 9 (Peakhurst Utg); Anthony Giannilivigni, 6, Andrew Blyth, 8, five goals; Simon Parrott, 7, five goals (South Melbourne); Aaron Storer, 11, (St Kilda Rovers); Darren Balts, 11, four goals (Buninyong City); Darren Nelson, 12, Tom Phillips, 12, Andrew Harris, 12 (Barwon City); David Ferguson, 7, six goals (Ringwood Ct); Eric Macleod, 13 (GG-Ajaz); Jimmy Dres, 11, Sebastian D'Agostino, 11, Sam Cutrale, 10, four goals; Vasil Papadopoulos, 11, six goals (St Kilda); Steven Avram, five goals (Chelsea); Roger Buzzetta, 12, four goals; Nasar Eminovska, 12, four goals (Coburg); Dimitrios Anastassiou, 14 (Thomastown); Michael Tonks (Kew); Then Pouliantzas, 14, five goals; George Kazakis, 14 (Heidelberg Utg); Robert Mickelwood, 12; Neil Darlington, 12, four goals; Paul Baker, 12 (Mordialloc Park); Steve Koenan, 10 (Chelsea); Andre Ziember, 10, Guillio Avian, 9, Con Dafopoulos, 10 (Kellar Auditorium); Darren Saliba, 13 (Altona City); Vince Giola, 12, four goals (Numurawang).

Regional Re-draw

The following format has been re-drawn for the Victorian Regional games.

Saturday June 7: Central v Northern, Dandenong v Western, Peninsula v Geelong.

Saturday June 28: Western v Central, Dandenong v Peninsula, Geelong v Northern.

Saturday July 19: Central v Dandenong, Peninsula v Northern, Western v Geelong.

Saturday August 9: Northern v Dandenong, Peninsula v Western, Geelong v Central.

Saturday September 6: Central v Peninsula, Northern v Western, Dandenong v Geelong.

which time he represented the Illawarra District in 1970, 71 and 72.

In 1977 David tried his luck with Wollongong in the NSW State League but the club folded and David moved to Dapto as a senior player.

It was there that David struck up a relationship with Casey de Bruin that was to prove an important influence on David's career.

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The benefit of this work was seen by Joe Vlasic who was able to get David to St. George.

In 1979 the next step in David's aim to play in the PSL took place when he moved to St. George and played in the club's Reserve Grade team.

As yet the talented youngster has not made his

PSL debut but if Rudi Gutendorf's thinking is a valid indicator of David's future then the PSL could shortly be enhanced by the talents of this up and coming young player.

David's football background is essentially as a defender, primarily in the right back role, but his creativity has been utilised in the libero position as well.

David sees many positive aspects of Rudi Gutendorf's involvement with Australian football.

"Rudi Gutendorf has helped improve our playing standards and has put our soccer on the map by enlarging the promotion of the sport,"

"I am naturally thrilled to be in the present youth squad and although I played in midfield in the recent Youth Championships I think that Rudi knows I am a defender."

"I will be glad just to make the eleven".

And thousands of football fans throughout the land will be glad to watch this young man if his current progress is any measure of the skills he has to offer the football starved Australian public.

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GEORGE CROSS v JUVENTUS

3 - Wilkinson (GC)
2 - Papas (GC)

1 - Farris (GC)

CROYDON v SLAVIA

3 - Pongho (Croy)

2 - McCombe (Croy)

1 - Lawson (Slav)

HAKOAH v SUNSHINE

3 - Jordanou (H)

2 - Kent (H)

1 - Mussel (S)

CROATIA v FRANKSTON

3 - Young (F)

2 - Lowe (F)

1 - Mitten (F)

ALTONA v MAKEDONIA

3 - Cannell (A)

2 - Watters (A)

1 - Petrovski (M)

W. SUBURBS v GREEN GULLY

3 - Vojtek (GG)

2 - Dunn (GG)

1 - Grechian (WS)

Progressive totals:

9 - Curcio (J), Papas (GC), McCombe, Murphy (Croy)

8 - Cullen (M), Morrey (GG)

7 - Dunn (GG), Cannell (A), Gibson (H), Glykakalamos (WS), Lurchesi (M), Singleton, Mussel (S)

6 - Wilkinson (GC), Whyte, Lewis (A)

Leading goalscorers:

7 - McGuinness (J)

5 - Ward, McMillan (M), Pockock (S), Gilder (C)

4 - French (H), Whyte (Croy), Adams (F)

Gillon Oval in Brunswick will not resemble Bannockburn after the Frankston-Juventus clash but Martin Chivers in his debut for the Baysiders raises the possibility of an interesting battle between the former English international and former Scottish international Frank Munro.

In my totally unbiased opinion the Scot will triumph and the Sessacoch will come over the border from whence he came once, triumphant but now crawling and slithering like a writhing just like what happened at Bannockburn way back in 1314 when the mighty Bruce, wielding his broadsword above his head, led the courageous Scots to their memorable victory against the English oppressors by trampling the.

Getting back to Culloden, sorry, Gillon Oval, Juventus should win because of the great form of Bobby McGuinness who is sticking it right up a couple of PSL clubs.

Juve full back Tony Curcio is just the man to take care of The Roadrunner Bruce Young and stem this important avenue of Frankston attacks.

Green Gully gets another chance to test how far away it is from the Croatia-Makedonia category when it clashes with Makedonia at Green Gully Reserve, St Kilda, on Sunday.

Gully coach Bobby McMillan probably will use a man-to-man marking system to counter the brilliance of Makedonia's front trio, Gary Ward, George McMillan and Robert Culben.

McMillan used this system against Croatia two weeks ago

with moderate success but if his players cut out Makedonia's strikers and check the supply of balls from the Makedonia midfield, then Gully can grab a point.

The tightness of Croydon Park will worry visitors Croatia and Mitten, Carl Gilder and Tommy Cumming will have little space in which to run at opponents on one-on-one situations.

Croydon's two strikers should not worry Croatia's defence but the adventurous nature and shooting power of Croydon midfielder Keen Doornenbal could bring the best out of Croatia keeper Peter Blasby.

Croydon's industrious midfield will not allow Croatia to dwell on the ball and providing Croatia's go slow tactics at the back do not break Croydon's patience, the game could end in a draw.

Saturday's clash between arch rivals Altona and Sunshine should produce a great spectacle at Kim Reserve.

Altona can win as it is showing signs of putting 90 minutes together and Dave Hoyley and Robbie Craw can thread their way through the Shiners' defence.

Archie Campbell's struggling George Cross may slide further into the relegation zone if Hakoah's Graham French and Chris Kent strike again.

With more bite up front Hakoah can take most teams in the State League.

Bill Wilkinson and Laurie Belusic are playing their hearts out every week but Cross will unlikely be able to match the Wilkinson and Belusic will sink with the flagship of the Maltese Line.

Little can be said about Slavia's chances against Western Suburbs.



* Our guest tipster this week is Slavia coach Tony Vrzina (pictured). Tony's selections with likely winners in capitals:

ALTONA v Sunshine at Kim Reserve, Saturday, 2.45 pm.

Croydon v Croatia (draw) at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

Frankston v Juventus (draw) at Gillon Oval, Sunday, 3 pm.

Green Gully v Makedonia (draw) at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

George Cross v HAKOAH at Olympic Park No. 2, Sunday, 3 pm.

SLAVIA v Western Suburbs at the Showgrounds, Sunday, 3 pm.

Altona, 'Cross hit form

endeavour and heart can do for a team.

Manny Poutakakis made two substitutions in the second half and could not replace the injured Bruno Sabidusso whose departure left Juve with ten men.

Campbell's ploy of playing Tony Cowan and Damien Morgan up front and Jim Papas in midfield worked a treat.

Papasis attacked from deep and was hard to pick up while Cowan and Morgan often ran wide allowing Papasis room to move inside.

George Cross played its best football of the season to convincingly defeat Juventus after the Black and Whites had used both their substitutes and had no replacement when Bruno Sabidusso had to be carried off in the 83rd minute.

GEORGE CROSS 2 (Morgan, Curcio, o.g. JUVENTUS 0

Altona stopped Makedonia from recording its sixth win in eight games by fighting back from a 2-0 half time deficit to grab a worthy point from its more fancied rivals.

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Former Filipino keeper Oliviera Gay made two excellent saves in the half as Juve looked sharper up front with Bobby McGuinness busying about and causing Gary Hooper and Laurie Belusic many problems.

But Cross gradually took over and the last 10 minutes should have seen it two up instead of one.

The red stroke of half time Tony Cowan found series of space six yards out and although Reilly got a hand to Cowan's header, full back Curcio, in trying to clear, kicked the ball against Reilly and into the empty net.

The second half was all Cross as Juve's patience waned.

A long clearance saw Morgan beat Pat Della Rocca in the challenge and steady before drilling a low shot inside the near post with Reilly closer to the centre of his goals.

GEORGE CROSS 2 (Trot, Koska) FRANKSTON 2 (Wall, Adams)

CROATIA: Blasby 2 - Short 6, Gordan 7, Koloski 3, Blasby 3, Trot 6 - 7, Mitten 7, Adams 6 - Bartirovic 5 (Klein 65th) Gilder 7, Mitten 8.

FRANKSTON: Whiddett 7 - Lowe 8 - 9, Wall 8, Mitten 7, Adams 7, Valli 7 - Buchan 5 (sub Coulson 85th), Cooper 8, Webb 8 - Wall 8 (sub Runje 80th), Young 9.

Frankston came to Olympic Park aware of the only way it could compete was to compete with Croatia and left with a point after a bruising battle.

Frankston committed five fouls and had a player booked in the first three minutes.

The crime count at the end of the match read four Frankston players booked while Steve Kosaka was the only Croatia player cautioned.

Frankston's Bruce Young was the most dangerous forward on the park and when he got his head up instead of clearing it was brilliant.

Both Frankston goals came from Young's crosses, the first to the near post where Kevin Wall beat John Gardiner and headed home.

This equalised a brilliant goal from Croatia when Joe Trott and Noel Mitten played a one-two and Trott smashed the return pass into the roof of the net from the edge of the area.

From the start of the second half a free kick ball from David Webb sent Young on his way and he crossed to Bob Adams on the far post for the Baysiders to grab the lead.

But Readshaw allowed play to continue and the first man to move was Whyte, who dummied Slavia keeper Elvio Pugliese before slotting the ball home.

Slavia's plight is best highlighted by its need to play half-height players in Steve Lawson and keeper Pugliese.

Croydon is slowly starting to rise and it seems to be a serious contender for the top four. Alan Pongho gave a brilliant display as sweeper.

ALTONA 2 (Howland, Whyte) MAKEDONIA 2 (Ward, McMillan)

ALTONA: Van der Poel - Lewis, Cannell, Gilders, Wilson, Kelly, Watters, Whyte, J. Little - Howland, Crew.

MAKEDONIA: Kastner - Rainey, Flavelle, Higham, Beach - Luchetti, Tamburi, Petrovski - Lewis, McMillan, Ward (inj. sub B. Coyle 75th).

Makedonia had the chance to sew up this game in the first half when Altona was totally disorganised and could string few passes together under the pressure of the early Makedonia onslaught.

In the 20th minute, Lube Petrovski played the ball out of midfield to George McMillan whose cross was met first time by Gary Ward but smothered by Altona's keeper Jan van der Poel.

Ward followed up and tapped home the rebound with van der Poel stranded.

The second goal came in the 39th minute.

Gordon Flavelle took off on the right before taking the ball to the line and crossing to the penalty spot.

McMillan was steaming in at 100 miles an hour and his header soared into the top corner of the Altona goal, giving van der Poel no chance.

In the second half Altona coach Bill Wilkinson called Billy Whyte up to the central striking role with Robbie Craw and Dave Howland out wide.

Altona surged forward and knocked Makedonia out of its stride.

The first goal came from a set move.

Peter Lewis took a long throw in from the right and Whyte flicked it on at the near post. Whyte was running in and headed home.

Altona's equaliser came from a crack corner on the right.

Lewis challenged strongly with Makedonia's keeper Lou Kastner who dropped the ball and Whyte lobbed neatly into the back of the Makedonia goal.

HAKOAH 2 (French, Jordanou) SUNSHINE, 0

HAKOAH: O'Hara - Wilson, Gadsby, Dosen, Rooney - Jordanou, McNeill, G. Bannon, Loh, French, Keen.

SUNSHINE: Contini - Donaldson, Mussel, Ellis, McRobert - Leing, Singleton (sub Esposito half 90th).

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HAIL THE NEW HELLAS

South Melbourne Hellas finally has a team to be admired for the first time since the inception of the Phillips league.

I formed this conclusion while watching Hellas' excellent display against St George before Milan played Heidelberg/Marconi at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

St George, with its signings Ernie Campbell and Peter Stone, did not play badly but the composure and teamwork shown by the Melbourne team was outstanding.

South Melbourne made the top four in the first year of the Phillips league under Dave MacLaren, but I do not believe it ever played quite so convincingly as that season did it did at the Cricket Ground.

Playing in the in-vogue 4-4-2 system, which I discussed a few weeks ago, South Melbourne played beautiful short, interpassing soccer.

The slower tempo one-touch style suits the vastly experienced Alan Evans and, surprisingly, his partner the speed Duncan Cummings.

The inter-pass is broken up with many dribbles of the midfielders-cum-wingers, George Campbell and Branko Buljovic.

Most of the build-ups started at the back, where sweeper Bernie Lutton was a key factor, though the other back four players also are highly skilful.

This especially applies to young Alan Davidson at full back.

The only query about Davidson is his ability to contain players and this is the major query I have on this South Melbourne team — whether under pressure they are prepared to work and graft to keep their goal intact until the can restore their own style again.

St George did not apply that type of pressure. It does not have the players to do so.

It played a similar style to South Melbourne, but not as well.

This brings me to another previous topic of mine. Players win games!

Of course the quality of coaching, management, motivation fitness and team selection will effect a player's performance — but generally 11 players of superior standard will win over players of a lesser standard.

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South Melbourne had better players on the field than St George.

recent recovery, I think relegation could lie between Blacktown and Brisbane City.

Allowing that coaching does play the biggest part in team performance, we must congratulate South Melbourne's John Margaritis and again Mick Jones and watch the impact of Raul Blanco, Gerry Chalidz and Brisbane City's player-coach George Potter.

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The rediscovery of Blacktown City's Bruce Stowell as a player highlights one of Australian sport's peculiarities — the premature retirement of its top people.

Bruce Stowell, in typical Australian fashion, retired from playing at the end of season 1976 when he had just won the NSW Rothmans junior team.

His comeback as a player came this year when Mick Jones, coach of Blacktown City, desperate for experienced player to guide his youngsters, tol him to dug out his boots and give it a go at Gabbie Stadium.

At age 40, more than three years out of the game, Stowell was asked to make a comeback in a league he could easily surpass if he had previously had played in during his stay in Australia and with a team that struggled from the start of the season.

Yet Mick Jones tells me that Bruce has been one of his most consistent players.

One game he was voted the man of the match.



South Melbourne

the job after just three months.

Overnight he was lost to the game as both player and coach as he retired to his northern NSW home to spend more time with his young son, a budding star in the northern NSW junior team.

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Hellas' exciting attackers,

Duncan Evans, George Campbell and Branko Buljovic.



from left: Duncan

Evans, George Campbell and Branko Buljovic.



Cummings, Alun

reer, just as has Adelaide City idol, John Perin.

Arok helped "Soccer Action" writer, Tom Anderson, have one of his best ever seasons for St George in the unaccustomed position of stopper when he was 37.

In Australia our top players become coaches and then ex-coaches far too soon and consequently many of them take no significant part in the game at all by the time they reach 40.

Hakoah (NSW) star Alan Maroch is another in this category.

In Europe players play longer, start coaching later and continue coaching into their 60's.

Experience is valued even more than youthful energy and enthusiasm.

My advice to all players in their early 30's who still love the game is hang on in there — you are a long time retired.

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time, R. Nelson — Coyle, Posack, D. Nelson (sub Mudroch 85th).

Hakoah may have found the combination that will gain results this season.

At long last it showed a refreshing positive attitude and played Mike Low and Chris Kent wide up front with Graham French in central striking.

With Ian McNeill buzzing about in the midfield, the stage was set for a Hakoah victory. Sunshine coach Ian Pethick was critical of the lack of endeavour shown by his team: "On the day we were pathetic," said Petherick.

Frank Mussel was the only player we had and one against eleven is just not on."

WESTERN SUBURBS 1

(Greechan) GREEN

GULLY 2 (Seali, Vaitak).

WESTERN SUBURBS: Mitandis Kyprilidis, Glykakosmanis, Jevons, Degla (sub J. Christodoulis 6th), Kupras, Greenchain, N. Christodoulis — Kypros, Carr, Pataskos.

GREEN GULLY: Deny — Smart, Dunn, Patten, Crilly — Hogben (sub Bell 75th), Benito, Vassallo, Votell — Dennis (sub Perkins 6th), Segi.

Green Gully looked too classy for a sadly organised Western Suburbs at Middle Park.

Gully returned to the scene of its Philips Cup success against J.S.U. to outplay Sunbury.

The opening goal came after a fine interpassing movement involving Bill Vojtek, Andy Stee, Steve Bennie and Willie Vassallo, ending with Segi scoring after Vassallo had squared to him from a shot parried by Wests' keeper Alex Mitandis.

Bill Vojtek celebrated his return to favour by scoring Gully's second.

A quick clearance from Vojtek to Vassallo again fed Vojtek who ran onto the ball and smacked it into the roof of the net.

Steve Carr lacked the finishing that his transfer fee should warrant but then Gully defender John Patten stayed tight on Carr all day.

Suburb's consolation goal was from a volley by Greechan that Gully keeper Lou Denys claimed got caught up in the sun and blinded him.

SELECTIONS

Selected by Craig Mackenzie

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1: Saturday: Richmond v RINGWOOD CITY, DOVETON v MORVELL FALCONS v South Melbourne, Waverley City v Doncaster Rovers (draw), Port Melbourne v PARK RANGERS, MELBOURNE v Footscray.

DIVISION II Saturday: Heidelberg United, Ardeer (draw), BELL PARK v Knox City, MORVELL FALCONS v South Melbourne, Waverley City v Doncaster Rovers (draw), Port Melbourne v PARK RANGERS, MELBOURNE v Footscray.

DIVISION III Saturday: Flemtree, Gully v BROADMEADOWS CITY, Frankston, RINGWOOD CITY v Geelong, Heidelberg, ELTHAM, FRANKSTON PINES v Yarraville, St. Albans v FAWKNER.

DIVISION IV Saturday: WERRIBEE v Brighton, Monash University v MOOROOLBARK, SANDRINGHAM v Nth. Moorabbin, KEYSBOROUGH v Moorabbin City, Mornington v NUNAWADING CITY, Caulfield City v CORIO.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE Saturday: DIVISION 1: Greenborough v MELTON, South Yarra v ROYAL PARK, Hotham United v HAMLYN RANGERS, Clayton v SOUTH OAKLEIGH, GEELONG v Essendon City, SUNBURY UNITED v Rosebud.

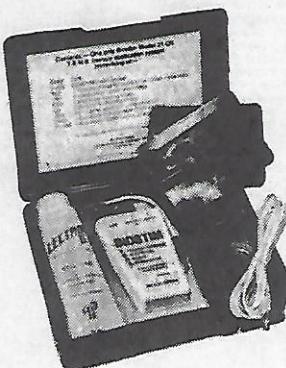
DIVISION II: Nunawading United v KARINGAL UNITED, University of Melb. v EAST BRUNSWICK, Ballarat v HAWKS BURN, Central Altona v THOMASTOWN, Hawthorn Citizens v CARLTON, Langwarrin v Bye.

DIVISION III: Berwick City v MORDIALLOC, NORTH GEE LONG, Bulleen, POSTEL INSTITUTE v South Dandenong, Clifton Hill v Regent (draw), Rosanna v Moa United (draw), Boronia v SHEPPARTON CITY.

DISTRICT LEAGUE CUP: SEMI-FINALS: Sunday, Chapel Road, 1.30 pm CANNINGBROOK v EAST CARLTON, 3 pm Moonee Ranges v YARRAVILLE. RESERVE CUP: SEMI-FINALS: Sunday, Cochrane Reserve: 1 pm Yarraville v NTH. SUNSHINE, 2.45 pm MOONEE PONDS v Monbulk.

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PRAHAN: Godwin, Jackson, Smith, Lazovic, Henderson, Pearce, McCalmon, Dandeneau, Stoenescu, Tracy, Res, Stewart, Campbell, Rushton.

BEST PLAYERS: Etham, Cochran, Lee, Cikha, Gooney, Prahran, Tracy, McCalmon, Pearce.

BROADMEADOWS 1 (Anderson) COBURG 1 (Deans)

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COBURG: Cummins, Scarlet, Jones, Bolton, Crooks, Frampton, Dely, McCallum, Yearns, Deans, Giacomi, Substitutes: Pace, Sandra, Seckl, Coburg, Jones, Frampton, Deans.

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WELCOME MOROCHOS . . . OTRA VEZ EL BUEN FUTBOL**Burnley 4**
Banksia 1

Con los gritos y aplausos del otro domingo resonando en el aite los CHAVALES llegan a un compromiso fortalecidos y dispuestos a seguir en la senda de los triunfos y así fue ganaron y bien, dejando para nosotros la satisfacción de no equivocarnos. LOS CHAVALES...VALEN DE VERDAD.

BURNLEY S.C., FOY-F. CALLE-SAAVEDRA-GUI-MAREY-LOCKLEY-PINAS-HERMAN DO-CORTIZ-PIETRALUNGA-J. CALLE-PIETRALUNGA.

Los primeros minutos mostraron a los equipos veloces y aguerridos. El único gol del BANKSIA lo marcan en el primer tiempo y dejan la impresión de que se han de agrupar atras y dejaran correr los minutos.

Fero en la segunda parte aparece el espíritu, las ganas de ganar y concretar y rápidamente un dominio que marca el camino.

LOS GOLES: 1) MARIANO "HURA CAN" SAZ, 2) Penalty FRANK CALLE-3) PIETRALUNGA y 4) Otra vez MARIANO SAZ.

La actuación del "DORÉM" FO IS, fue para dar tranquilidad al equipo de muy buen nivel y ahora la defensa está segura, porteros de aptitudes no abundan.

En líneas generales LOS CHAVALES van buscando un nivel que estara a prueba dentro de quince días cuando se enfrenten a sus primos GAUCHO.

Todavia no se sabe donde se efectuara el partido pero,

es posible que sea en el mismo escenario de SAINT ALBANS con las máximas garantías para una fiesta del deporte.

South Oakleigh 0
Hotham United 1

Cuando por ultimo se logro ubicar el campo donde se jugo el partido, los hinchas chileños recibieron la gran sorpresa, LOS MOROCHOS jugaron un muy buen partido y ganaron bien. Lo que deseamos es que se siga en el camino.

HOTHAM UNITED ROJAS-ELIZER-FUENTEALBA-

FLORES-LEIVA-JARA-RUBIO-NILLO

CARDONE-CETINICH-LOPEZ.

Todos llegaron a este compromiso bastante preocupados el SOUTH OAKLEIGH es el mejor equipo de la division, eso era lo que se decía, pero en los papeles, y ante el toque y el buen juego del visitante no fueron mas, que un equipo sin ideas que se perdio tratando de igualar un partido que merecieron perder por mas goles.

Muy buen medio campo desde el comienzo para los MOROCHOS. La terma JARA-LEIVA-BALBURO, un retorno esperado, hicieron que esa zona donde los jugadores sudamericanos definen los partidos fuera CHILENA la mayoría del encuentro. La vuelta también de CHICO LOPEZ, ese gran número once, dio penetración a una delantera que no es mas la soledad de CARDONE. Y asi se gano. Juguendo, tocando y llegando, como lo prueba el golazo de PEPE LAIVA.

JOB DEGUARIA estara satisfecho, porque sus planes han llegado a concretarse. La vuelta de todos los titulares les da a los MOROCHOS la seguridad de presentar un gran equipo. Solo falta CHICO ANDRADE y entonces sera cosa de no perderse un partido.

Yarraville 5
West Melbourne 0

Y la preocupacion de JORGE CAUDILLO CALMINO se cristalizo, lamentablemente. No habia en todo el campo de juego una sola posibilidad de ganar este partido para los GAUCHOS despues del primer gol del YARRAVILLE. Perdieron jugando muy mal, frente a un equipo que jugo muy bien.

WEST MELBOURNE S.C. CISTERNA-

GRANDE-NIN-SALVO-GOMEZ-LA GRECA-OSCAR SUAREZ-BILLOTA-PLAN CATELLI-(DOS SANTOS).

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Central Brunswick 3
West Brunswick 2

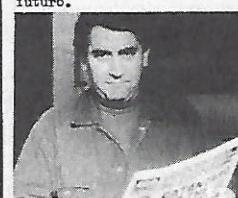
El encuentro de argentinos y uruguayos el domingo a la noche era para consolarse. Los CHARUAS perdian 3 a 0 cuando faltaban 5 minutos para terminar y terminan 3 a 2. Imposible de creer. Mucha Publico y una convicción, se debe seguir trabajando en la semana.

WEST BRUNSWICK LOYOLA-VEZZO-SO-SYLVEYRA-

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PORAZ KOJI ZABRINJAVA

J.U.S.T. je dozvao malu katastrofu u Sidneyju pritiv Blacktowna, koji se neglo oporavlja. Povreda Mirka Rijevica stvorila je niz problema i promena, koje su negativno uticale na ritam igre. Navala je opet postala Ahillova petica. Protivnici su uocili da je Zdravko Lujic nosio svih napada, pa su se potrudili da ga blokiraju i od sekstu od ostalih igrača. Na zlosti JUST nema više izrazitih navalnih igrača. Vasic po neki put iznenadi, ali se prvi pokoleba kada podižu kola nizbilo.

Josip Pociocine je napravio jednu pogresku, koja se kostala "plave" jedan gol. Međutim, njegovoj promeni kostala je mnogo vise, jer je JUST izgubio kontrolu sredine i jednog vrsnog pucaca.

I pores poraza JUST je zadrzao sesto mesto, za koje se mora boriti i uporiši i sa vise odusevljenja. Josi jedan poraz moze strmolagnuti "plave" na dno tabele.

PONOVO NA WESTERN OVAL

Iduci protivnik je Leichhardt APIA iz Sidneja, koja se isto tako popravila i grabi prema vrhu tabele. PLAVI moraju zapeti iz petih zada da povrate poljuljani ugled. Na srecu susret se održava na Western Ovalu, gde je JUST imao dva izvanredna nastupa i osvojio sva cetiri boda. Povratak na ovaj kontroverzni stadion bice veliki moralni protest i obaveza za sve igrače.

U sredini 28. maja JUST ce odigrati trening utakmicu na Ross Reserve u Springfield protiv nogometnog veterana, koje ce prevoditi poznati asovi Frank Micic, Ibro Haziabdic, Andrew Kazl, Slobodan Lukic, Tom Stankovic i drugi. Bice to prva poslastica za sve igrače i publicu, tako da ce biti bacen u zaborav poraz u Blacktownu.

MAKEDONIJA POPUSTA

Neresen rezultat sa Altonom je ravan poraza, pogovoren kad je Makedonija vec vedila da 2:0 i nadigrala protivniku u prvom poluvremenu. Stara bolest, koja je proslje godine skupila kostala Makedoniju, ponovo se vraca. Igra se dobro samo u pocetku, ali cina Makedonija postignje par golova igrači se odmaraju na lovorkama i dozvole protivniku da preuzeme inicijativu. Bez Cummingsa Croatia je sretno izvukla bod od Frankstona, koji je vodio skoro do pred kraj utakmice.

OSTALI REZULTATI

RINGWOOD — ALTONA GATE 3:0 (2:0). Altona Gate se zali na sudiju, protiv koga je podnela zahtju savazu. Međutim, glavni problem je navalja, koja pokolebla ceo tim, jer je dobio da iskoristi brojne sanse gotovo na svakoj utakmici. Povreda Bozinoškog je tezog nego da se ocekivalo i njegovo odsustvo je primetno. Nesto mora da se uradi doti u vreme vremena, jer je se pred kraj prvenstva Altona Gate moze naci u bezblaznom položaju. U predigri je rezervna pobeda sa 1:0 (1:0).

J.U.S.T. — PORT MELBOURNE

(2:3). Port Melbourne je dobio pogodak i dobio je nego da je zacelo za odbranu, ali je navalja osetila od njegovih drugih pescova, idealnih za kontrastirane sancije. Toni Vukovic je zbez povrede pauzirao godinu dana, ali je znatno pobolje kvalitet raselog napadaca, sto danas nedostaje "plavim". Seriju golova je otvorio Duško Atanasovski lepim golom iz gule. Ostali golovi su isto bili lepi i plod idealnih sancija. Sulejman Curovic je povisio na 2:1. Ljubo Tavelski na 3:1. Tom Kovacic u 2:1 Pavle Simic na 5:2. Rezerva je izgubila sa 2:0, iako je stalno igrala pred protivnikom golom. Samo jedan protivnik u 89. minuti završio se sa lopatom u "plavoj" mreži.

CARLTON/SRBIA — CENTRAL ALTONA/SLOGA 1:1 (1:1). Zaninijevla i na mementu grubla igra završila se neresenim rezultatom. Srbija je povela u 5. minuti preko Zarko Pejkovicu, ali je Ljube Iljevski iz jednacu u 11. minuti. Obu tisu niskorasporedjene zete karstone su dobiti: Ljuba Iljevski je na 11 metara pogodio prekucu, a Jimmy Milosavjevic je pred kraj igre sutrašnje visoko preko gola. Zute kartone su dobiti: Ljuba Stojanovic i Milan Cvijic iz Srbije, P. Stojanovic i Lj. Ivanovski i P. Risteski iz Sloge. P. Risteski je dobio i crveni karton u 89. minuti. Rezerve su takođe igrale nereseno 2:2 (0:1). Strelici: Vlasta Cikic i Miroslav Tudzarov za Srbiju.

ALTONA UNITED/VOVODINA — CHELTENHAM 0:0. Dok se je Vojvodina snasala, protivnik je brzom igrom pogodio stao je. Gospodarima Vojvodina spasio su od tezeg poraza Jovan Cankovic i George Beljan, dok su svii ostali igrali slabu. Rweste je pobedila sa 3:0. Strelici: Andy Kotwas 2:1, Alex Heal.

PARKMORE/HAJDUK — VARDAR 1:0 (0:0). Domaci tim je bio bolji i usazljivo pobedio sa 1:0 golom M. Sembleri u 75. minuti. Zadnjih 10 minuta Vardar je mogao da izjednaci, jer je imao tri zrele sanse, ali Dragi Cvetanovski, Peco Markovski i Mile Nedeljković nisu imali sreće. Iduće nedelje Vardar igra za kup protiv Albiana United.

PARKMORE/PLAVI DUNAV — BATMAN UNITED 1:0 (1:0). Duge ocekivanja pobeda dosla je u pravo vreme. "Plavi Dunav" je bio mnogo bolji i zaslužio vecu pobedu, ali geste je spasio dva puta prekucu i ledjancu stativa. Jedini gol je postigao Sandor Varga u 41. minuti. Rezerva je izgubila sa 1:4 (0:0). Strelici: Istvan Makai Senior u 78. minuti i penala.

TARAKA — BOWATER SCOTT 2:1 (0:1). Protivnik je inzeniran Taraka, ali je posle odmora ulazak povredjenog Slobodana Lukica bio oducujuca prekretica. Strelici: Tim Blitski i Steva Kosovac za Taraku.

ARGENTINA 5-1

VIENNA — Argentina beat Austria 5-1 in a friendly international game here. Halftime 3-1

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